

LETTERS FROM TWO STATES

NEW LONDON COUNTY

SALEM

Excellent Sermon on Temperance—President Taft Thanked for Letter—Bela Pratt Visits Old Home.

Rev. J. S. Cogswell preached an excellent sermon on Temperance on the Congregational church last Sunday morning.

The Lincoln service in the Sunday school was unusually well attended; the pledge was signed by two-thirds of the number present. An expression of thanks was voted and sent to our chief magistrate, Hon. William H. Taft, for his timely and helpful letter on total abstinence.

Nathaniel Clark led the Christian Endeavor service in the evening. Samuel C. Cogswell, Miss Lillian of New London were the first of the summer guests to arrive at the Hurlbut house.

Bela Pratt in Town.

Bela L. Pratt, the sculptor, of Boston, spent several days in town the past week.

Miss Eva M. Standish spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of her parents in Westford.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Standish and little daughter Sydney visited friends in New London Sunday.

Mrs. M. W. Rickett and Miss Pearl Brown of Mystic were Sunday visitors in town.

William Raymond was in town Sunday. William Maynard was in New London on business Monday.

Ira D. Gifford and Mrs. Herbert Houston were in Montville Monday. Mrs. William Darling, Mrs. James Lowe, Mrs. Thomas Murray and Mrs. Chadwick were Colchester visitors on Tuesday.

Mrs. Susan Rogers was called to North Plain Monday on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mary T. Sison.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Raymond Douglass were in Norwich Tuesday.

A few from town attended the auction at Deacon Miner's farm in Millington Wednesday. Enoch Crandall was clerk of the auction.

Next Sunday morning Rev. J. S. Cogswell will preach on Peace and Arbitration. Peace will also be the subject under discussion in the Sunday school. Sunday evening the topic is Missions in Japan and Korea. Rev. Mr. Cogswell will lead.

NORTH STONINGTON

Pastor's May Basket—Was a Barrel of Flour, Etc.—Box Turtles Come—Back Marked.

William Wood of Richmond, R. I., has been visiting friends here.

Chief of Police George M. Pilling and family of Danbury visited at George C. Spooner's last Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Smock received a good sized May basket last Saturday evening consisting of a barrel of flour, box of oranges, 20 pounds of sugar and many other useful articles; also a sum of money.

Mrs. Frank E. Neves of Providence is visiting at George C. Spooner's.

The roads are being put in better condition. The severe drought is discouraging to farmers who are now planting their crops.

George Strong has sold his place to New York purchasers and has moved to Norwich.

Box Turtles Seen. A number of box turtles have been seen here the past week. They are very scarce and it may be years before they will be seen again. Some have names and date out on the under side of the shell which go back to our grandfathers' time.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

CENTRAL VILLAGE

May Basket for James Wilcox on 89th Birthday—Funeral of Mrs. George Gould.

Mrs. August Holgerson spent Wednesday in Willimantic at East Killingly.

Elmer Lewis was in Webster Sunday.

Mrs. Esther Grover has been entertaining Mrs. Lydia Spicer of Danbury.

Howard Clarke has gone to Southampton, L. I., where he is at work in an ice plant.

Mrs. Jane Campbell of Voluntown is visiting her cousin, Mrs. David Kennedy.

Miss Helen Mathewson was a Norwich visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Arthur Eaton of East Killingly has been visiting Mrs. Emma Eaton.

Mrs. Felix Lambert has been entertaining her niece, Miss Tarbox, of Jewett City.

Mrs. Fred Mitchell spent Wednesday in Willimantic at the W. C. T. U. convention.

Mrs. Bridget Reed and Mrs. William Thompson were in Moosup Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ray.

Mrs. Ursula Lafrance entertained her sister, Mrs. Archibald Blanchard, of Taftville, Saturday.

Miss Elsie Ladd of Willimantic spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ladd.

Miss Anna Wilcox spent Wednesday at the W. C. T. U. convention in Willimantic.

Mrs. Michael Connelly has been a visitor in Moosup.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Barber spent Friday at Ocean Beach.

Miss Adie Holland of Putnam spent Monday at William Dean's.

Miss Florence Benedict of North Abington, Mass., is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. George Benedict.

Mrs. Arnold E. Mathewson, Mrs. L. Howard Cross, Misses Ruth and Pauline Mathewson spent Friday in Norwich.

Mrs. George Benedict was in Norwich Wednesday.

Home Dean and George D. Segall spent Sunday in Putnam at Frank D. Thayer's.

39th Birthday May Basket. James Wilcox, who recently passed his 89th birthday, had a May basket party Tuesday evening. His Methodist friends from Moosup and this village called to spend the evening, bringing a huge May basket loaded with good things.

Carroll Lawton of Brooklyn spent Sunday at William Loring's.

William Newton of Providence visited his mother, Mrs. William Newton, Sunday.

Guest from Florida. Mrs. Samuel Mitchell is entertaining her niece, Mrs. Harriet Yates, of Florida.

Mrs. Joseph Levalley spent Thursday in Norwich.

Mrs. William Jowett is spending a few days at her mother's home in Southbridge.

Martin Welsh of Auburn, N. Y., formerly a resident of this village, visited friends Sunday.

Death of Mrs. George Gould. Many friends of Mrs. George Gould were surprised to learn of her death Sunday afternoon after a few days' illness. She was the oldest daughter of William Newport and has spent most of her life here. She was married last September, but had been housekeeping only a few weeks. She was 21 years old. She leaves besides her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Newport, three brothers, Otis, Walter and William, two sisters, Minnie and Agnes. The funeral services

were held at the Memorial chapel on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. George Benedict officiated. Beautiful flowers were given by Mrs. Fred W. Tillman, Miss Louise Tillman, Miss Helen Mathewson, Miss Ethel Collins, Mrs. Jennie Williams, Miss Annie Jenkins, Dr. and Mrs. James Green, Mr. and Mrs. William Green and family and many others. Burial was in Evergreen cemetery.

HAMPTON

Prospect House Sold—Summer Residents Arriving.

The Sewing circle met with Miss Ethel Lewis last Tuesday afternoon.

A. J. Greenhill has sold the Prospect house to Mr. Starkey.

Mrs. Wilder Smith and daughter Alice of Hartford came to their summer home here on Thursday for the summer.

Mrs. C. R. Hansel of Hartford was in town one or two days the first of the week getting their home here ready for the summer.

Miss Florence Hicks of Brooklyn, N. Y., is staying with her father, Charles Hicks.

Frank Hicks made an auto trip to Willimantic last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Hammond came near having a serious accident when on Saturday afternoon they started to return from the blacksmith shop leading a horse behind a wagon. The horse became frightened at an automobile and began rearing and plunging between the hind wheel and body of the wagon, finally wrenching the hind wheel from the axle. The occupants of the wagon escaped unhurt, but the horse was considerably scratched and bruised.

It is said that Martin Welch, who is in a Boston hospital, is improving slowly.

Mrs. William Phillips has been spending a few days at their summer cottage at Crescent Beach.

EASTFORD

Governor's Secretary Spends Brief Time at His Summer Home—Old Castle Opened.

Augustine Bartlett spent the week-end with his family in Putnam.

George Bosworth of Southbridge Mass., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Bosworth, of Darwin Lewis returned with him on his way to Monson academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Davis are visiting their daughter in Pawtucket, R. I., for several days.

Lyman Briggs has gone to Pawtucket, R. I., for two weeks' visit.

Mrs. Ellen Ballou has spent a week or more in Woonsocket, R. I.

Mrs. Mary Warren was in Putnam on the 19th.

Secretary Thomas Improving Property.

Edwin Thomas, Gov. Baldwin's secretary, spent a night here last week. His daughter Lois has visited at their summer home. Mr. Thomas is having improvements made to his residence.

Miss Mollie Trowbridge of Brooklyn, N. Y., has arrived at the Old Castle for the summer. She was accompanied by her Aunt Jeanette.

CHAPLIN.

C. Clitus Bradford Sells Property in Canterbury—How G. A. R. Post Will Observe Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith of Bogota, N. J., visited over Sunday at Merritt Welch's, making the trip in their auto.

Mrs. John Stoughton and child of Windsor has been a visitor at A. M. Litchfield's.

C. Clitus Bradford of North Society, Canterbury, recently sold his farm, including a large tract of timber, to Charles Phillips of Plainfield, who has come to make his home with his sister, Mr. W. B. Gallup.

Observance of the 30th. T. C. Brown Post, No. 79, G. A. R., is to observe Memorial day in a patriotic way. The principal exercises of the day will be held in the Congregational church in the afternoon. Rev. W. C. McKnight will deliver the address. The North Windham band is to furnish music for the day.

Quinebeaug Pomona grange meets with Natchaug grange Sunday (Saturday). The exercises will be held at the Congregational church.

STERLING

Funeral of Orren Babcock—Townley-Kenyon Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Babcock have the sympathy of friends in the loss of their three-year-old son, Orren E. Babcock. The funeral was held in the Methodist church, on Saturday, May 20. Rev. Roy Thomas preached the sermon. Burial was at Oneco.

A large number attended the Thornton-Kenyon wedding on Wednesday, May 17. Miss Bertha Bennett of Sterling was bridesmaid and Ernest Travis of Fall River was best man. Rev. Roy Thomas officiated. Sandwiches, cake, punch and ice cream were served. The bride and groom are spending their honeymoon at Germantown, Pa.

Several from this place attended the baptizing at Spring Hill Sunday.

The Epworth league prayer meeting was held in the vestry of the M. E. church Friday evening.

Memorial Sunday Service. The Memorial day services will be held at Oneco Sunday, May 28. Mrs. Charles D. Chester, who has been ill, is much better.

WESTMINSTER

Merrill Button remains very feeble.

Mrs. A. A. Smith, Miss Evangeline Smith and Mrs. Columbus Smith attended the county meeting of the W. C. T. U. in Willimantic on Wednesday. Miss Carrie Button returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Button was a caller at Merrill Button's on Sunday.

The C. E. meeting Sunday evening was led by Deacon Edmond. Jack Kemp was present and gave an interesting talk.

A union memorial service will be held in the church here next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. A male quartette will sing.

Won Silver Medal. At the Windham county W. C. T. U. convention in Willimantic on Wednesday Mrs. Columbus Smith, a member of the local union, won the silver medal in the matrons' speaking contest. There were five other contestants from different parts of the county. Mrs. Smith is receiving congratulations from her many friends.

Miss Lila Ogden spent Wednesday night with Miss Land of Canterbury and attended the strawberry supper held in the church there.

RAWSON

Miss Annie Lathrop is taking a short outing in Syracuse, N. Y., the guest of her brother.

Manchester have been guests of Miss Laura Hough.

Miss Louise Anderson and Miss Betty Adams of Boston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Berger.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hammond were Brooklyn callers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Copeland of Brooklyn were Sunday callers at Broad View farm.

Miss Ethel Spaulding of the Norwich Free Academy faculty spent the week-end in town.

Rev. R. R. Kendall is to preach a sermon appropriate for Memorial day Sunday morning.

Mrs. and Mrs. Albert Mathewson of New Haven have been guests of Mrs. William Mathewson.

Miss Susan D. Gordon has returned to Providence.

Mrs. Frank Skinner and son have re-

THOMPSON

Work Stopped on Ream Estate on Account of Heat—Mrs. Baldwin's Death at Worcester.

Mrs. Emma Shaw Colclough of Providence was at her summer residence here a short time last week.

Miss Grace Granger has re-opened her home here.

Miss Harriet R. Lewis is visiting in Morris Plains, N. J.

Miss Myrtle Kingsbury of South Windham was in town with two friends over Sunday.

Miss Swallow of Providence has been visiting Mrs. Myron Elliott.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Ramsey of Penn's Grove visited Mr. and Mrs. Everett Rhodes last week on their way to Berkwick, Mass.

Dr. R. C. Paine has a new automobile.

97 Degrees on Monday. The thermometer registered 97 degrees at the Ream estate Monday. The horses were called in from working on account of the heat.

Memorial Services. The Memorial day services are to be held in the Congregational church Sunday. Rev. J. N. Garst of the Baptist church delivers the address to the G. A. R. in the afternoon.

Mrs. Baldwin's Funeral. Mrs. Harriet Munyan, Mrs. Clara Armstrong, Mrs. A. E. Knight and F. M. Knight attended the funeral of Mrs. Achsa Baldwin in Worcester on Friday last week. She was a native of Thompson and survived her husband by only two months. She leaves one daughter, Cora A. Baldwin, principal of the Chandler street school.

SOUTH WINDHAM.

Y. P. S. C. E. Union Meeting—Various Notes of Local Interest.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Avery were week-end visitors in Myrtle Warden on Sunday.

The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting Sunday evening was a union meeting with the Juniors. Miss Grace Lewis leader. Miss Eldridge sang a solo.

Harriet Newell spent Sunday with Mrs. Hulda Eaton.

Mrs. John Jennings and F. E. Peckham were visitors in Norwich on Monday.

Mrs. Johanna Healey is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harvey, of Windsor Locks.

Arthur Rice is in a Springfield hospital recovering from a slight operation.

Theodore Hendrickson of Boston has been visiting his father, Henri Hendrickson, here.

Mrs. Walter Backus and her mother, Mrs. Avery, are spending a few days in Mystic.

Mrs. Clarence Chamberlain is visiting Mrs. W. E. Francis of Danielson, Conn.

Fred Binns of Norwich was a visitor in town on Sunday.

Mrs. E. L. Weston has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. John Faircloth, of Leonard's Bridge.

Mrs. A. E. Kinney has returned from a stay in Hartford.

WAUREGAN

Surprise on Birthday—Stack Finished—New Raceway to Be Put In.

A birthday surprise and May basket were given George Warden on his 21st birthday last week, about fifteen of his friends being present.

Fred Maynard is again on duty at a slight operation.

Farmers hereabouts say if rain does not fall soon the hay crop will be a failure.

Tail Stack Completed. The masons have raised the stack of the Wauregan company to the height called for and all that remains to do is to remove the staging.

A gang of pipers have arrived from Providence to do the work in connection with Milton Warren of Danielson for the company.

Vacation for Mill Employees. The mills will be closed from Friday night until Wednesday, the trench being drawn off to permit the workmen to put in a new raceway. Danielson caught a string of seven trout near here Wednesday. One weighed one pound and 11 ounces and another one and one-quarter pounds.

Mrs. Walter Dudley and daughter of Woonsocket, R. I., are guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Kies.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Raymond Sheldon Injured—Masons to Observe St. John's Day.

Albert Williams, who has been suffering a severe attack of neuralgia, with malaria, is improving.

Misses Gladys and Mildred Sheldon were initiated in the mysteries of the Grange on Wednesday evening.

Broke Collarbone. Raymond Sheldon is home with a broken collarbone, caused by a heavy fall at the Southbridge optical works, where he was employed and only recently returned to work after a bad accident to a finger.

Miss Marie Curtis returned today from Bermuda and Clinton.

Mr. Perkins in Stonington for a visit and may find a place to board there.

To Observe St. John's Day. On Sunday the church voted unanimously to invite the Masons of this section to unite with the church in observance of St. John's and St. John the Baptist's day, the last Sunday in June.

WEST WOODSTOCK

Local Visitors to The World in Boston Disappointed—Grass Crop Needs Rain.

The main topic is the excessive drought which has seemingly put the hay crop beyond redemption.

Miss Kate Danielson from Danielson is visiting in Stonington.

Mrs. Welcome E. Bates is in this parish for a few days.

Those from this parish who have visited The World in Boston are somewhat disappointed in this respect. They go early and plan to leave for home about 5, and they find that those who are to explain and make interesting the exhibit do not go until afternoon.

WOODSTOCK VALLEY

Meeting of Clover Circle—Personal.

Clover circle met with Miss J. Louise Kenyon Wednesday afternoon.

A teachers' meeting was held at West Woodstock on Friday.

Miss Harriet Slingsby returned from Hartford Friday.

Charles M. Smith and Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Florence Deane of Danielson were at Allen W. Kenyon's on Wednesday.

Florence Hayter and son returned to their home in Clinton, Mass., Wednesday.

WOODSTOCK

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Mrs. and Mrs. Albert Mathewson of New Haven have been guests of Mrs. William Mathewson.

Miss Susan D. Gordon has returned to Providence.

Mrs. Frank Skinner and son have re-

turned from visiting relatives near Boston.

Miss Amy Kendall returns this week from her school work in Florida. She is to spend her vacation at the parsonage.

Mrs. H. B. Kingsbury, Miss Inna Hinrichs and Mrs. W. C. Child have been appointed a committee to have charge of the exercises of Children's day.

Rev. G. F. Waters was in Hartford Sunday.

Mrs. James J. Williamson is the guest of relatives in Ekong.

Marvin P. Hyde has a new pair of black team horses.

BROOKLYN

Memorial Services to Be Held at Baptist Church—Friends Assemble for Birthday Celebration.

At the reunion of the Twenty-first regiment, Connecticut volunteers, held at East Hampton on May 16, Vine R. Franklin and Theo. D. Pond, who served in Company K, were present. Mr. Franklin's wife being with him.

Fifty-six members were present. This was the home of the church. Rev. Thomas G. Brown, and although being situated in an inconvenient place to hold the reunion on account of the difficulty in getting to and away, many made a special effort to be present in remembrance of their chaplain.

Mrs. Mary Stanley, who spent the winter with relatives in and near Providence, has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Pond, after an absence of two weeks, visiting their son in Meriden, have returned home.

Memorial Services. The Memorial sermon will be preached in the Baptist church Sunday evening, Rev. G. F. Genung, D. D., being the preacher.

Rev. Rufus Sheldon and daughter have returned from Pittsburg, Mass., where they have spent the winter.

Birthday Gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walker and children were guests of Frank A. Spaulding and wife for a week and on Sunday evening will be the birthday of Mr. Walker. Monday Mr. Walker returned to his home in Hartford. Mr. Walker and the children are to remain a while longer.

EKONG

Body of Mrs. Mary Kegwin Buried in Local Cemetery—Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gallup spent two days in Norwich last week. They spent Saturday and Sunday in Providence.

Visitors at the Gallup homestead are Mrs. George Mattison of Providence and Miss Eunice of Norwich.

Rev. Mr. Carter of Plainfield preached here again on Sunday. He was entertained at A. A. Stanton's.

Remains of Mrs. Mary Kegwin Brought Here. The body of Mrs. Mary Kegwin was brought here on Wednesday from Norwalk for burial in the cemetery under the hill. The deceased had reached the advanced age of 99 years. She had resided with a niece for a number of years and to her tender, loving care is due the length of years Mrs. Kegwin has enjoyed. A large number of relatives came from a distance to her funeral. Rev. Mr. Carter officiated at the graves.

Charles Hopkins came over in his touring car on Wednesday morning to take Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gallup and son Everett to his home in Plainfield to help celebrate the 71st birthday of Mrs. William C. Stanton, also the 5th birthday of his little daughter, Emily Hopkins.

Miss Ann Corey is visiting her daughter in River Point.

WINDHAM

Mrs. William M. Brown returned Thursday from fifteen weeks' stay in Florida.

H. D. Utley of New London was at the inn on Sunday.

Harold Hayes has bought a farm at Perkins Corner, Coventry, and will move his family there.

Mrs. F. E. Gould has as her guest her mother, Mrs. Clark, of Putnam.

Alan Gould spent Saturday night with friends in Norwich.

Harold Hayes of Pittsburg is with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Taintor at the inn.

The topic for the C. E. meeting on Sunday evening will be "Plains in Japan and Korea. Acts 17: 1-14. Leader, Rev. Harry Grimes.

W. F. Maine is on jury duty in the superior court in Putnam this week.

Ascension day was observed at St. Paul's church on Thursday morning by the celebration of the holy communion.